UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO SAC, DALLAS (89-43) DATE: 11/28/63

FROM INSPECTOR JAMES R. MALLEY

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, 11/22/63 AFO

Inspector DON MOORE advised this morning that the Bureau had been in touch with ~~MARIO NOTO, Associate~~ Commissioner, INS, Washington, D.C. relative to the Immigration Service advising Mrs. LEE OSWALD that she would be permitted to remain in the United States if she were willing to cooperate with Federal authorities. MOORE pointed out to Immigration Service that she is an alien in the country on a permanent visa and that on the basis of what has happened, Immigration Service actually would not have any reason to deport her at this time. He stated, however, that Immigration was more than willing to cooperate to the fullest extent in talking to her and assuring her that the U. S. Government would let her remain in this country if she were willing to cooperate.

Mr. MOORE advised that arrangements had been made for Special Agent ANATOLE BOUGASLAV (phonetic), who was in New York, to be flown to Dallas today in order to handle an interview with Mrs. OSWALD tonight. BOUGASLAV is the best qualified Russian interpreter that the Bureau has at the present time and is familiar with security work. MOORE stated that Immigration Service was sending FRED HARVEY, one of their Washington representatives, to Dallas and arrangements were being made if possible for BOUGASLAV and HARVEY to be flown into Dallas on an Air Force plane, which would probably arrive in Dallas around 5:30 PM or 6:00 PM. Full details will be furnished by telephone later in the day.

MOORE stated that BOUGASLAV should be thoroughly briefed concerning the OSWALD situation in order that he would be able to proceed with the interview as quickly as possible and that the Agent best qualified and who has the most knowledge concerning the situation should accompany BOUGASLAV on the interview. MOORE advised that Immigration Service has

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arranged with our men to conduct their part of the interview first and will immediately withdraw from the interview so that the Bureau can take over its phase of the work in the absence of any Immigration people. He also stated that no ~~Civil~~ Service representative was to be present during the interview; that at the suggestion of the Dallas Office, MOORE advised that he would arrange with JAMES ROWLEY, Head of the Secret Service, to instruct their Dallas ~~Civil~~ Service representatives concerning this interview, and that they were not to sit in on the interview.

MOORE subsequently advised that these arrangements had been made. (See separate memo.)

MOORE requested that this interview with Mrs. OSWALD should be handled with the purpose of securing complete information from Mrs. OSWALD concerning her relation with LEE OSWALD in Russia, including when she met him, where, how long she was acquainted with him prior to their marriage; whether or not she was given any instructions by anyone to become acquainted with him, whether or not she was in touch with any Russian Government organization, such as the Russian Secret Police, or anyone else concerning her relationship with OSWALD. The interview was to cover in detail any instructions she may have received prior to leaving RUSSIA. The interview should also cover in detail all activities of Mrs. OSWALD and her husband after returning to the U.S., the knowledge she has of OSWALD's activities in any Communist organization or any other group in this country; also any dealings with individuals.

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MOORE also stressed the fact that while this undoubtedly should be a very detailed, long interview, time was of the greatest importance, and there was the necessity for trying to get the information in the shortest possible time, particularly

relative to the Sept. 18th matter.

MOORE stated that it was imperative that this matter be handled in such a way that there would be no publicity of any kind and that all individuals that we had to contact, such as Secret Service and Immigration on a local livel in Dallas, be emphatically told that there was to be no discussion with any individuals in their and our offices who did not need to know about it, and that we must insure that there be no publicity on the part of these other Government agencies. Likewise, the Dallas Agents who become knowledgeable of this situation must be cautioned to keep their mouths shut concerning any arrangements that are being worked out on this matter.

MOORE advised that while Immigration was coming into the picture and the Bureau was going to be conducting the interview, Mrs. OSWALD and any other relatives that Secret Service now has under their care from the standpoint of making sure no harm came to them should be continued by Secret Service, and not the Bureau or Immigration.

MOORE stated that Dallas should work out all necessary arrangements on this matter as best we could under the circumstances; that the Bureau would be in touch with Dallas, and we should keep the Bureau thoroughly advised of developments as they occur.